zens of the United States, above the age of twenty-five years, residents of the City of Baltimore four years prior to the election, each of whom has been assessed with property in the said city in the sum of five hundred dollars, and who has paid taxes on the same for two years prior to his election; and the said members of the Second Branch shall hold their offices for four years, except as provided in Section 213 of this Article, and each of them shall be paid a salary of one thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly.

Present officials to serve out terms.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act shall effect the terms of the present senators and members of the House of Delegates from Baltimore City, but they shall severally continue to represent the respective legislative districts for which they were elected until the end of their terms respectively as fully as if this Act had not been passed. shall anything in this Act affect the terms of the members of the First Branch, nor of the members of the Second Branch of the City Council, but they shall severally continue to represent the wards and councilmanic dictricts for which they were elected until the expiration of their terms respectively as fully as if this Act had not been passed, nor shall anything in this Act affect the terms or the jurisdiction of any of the justices of the peace in and for the City of Baltimore, or other officials in said city, but they shall be entitled to continue to discharge their duties and exercise their jurisdiction until the expiration of their terms as fully as if this Act had not been passed.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1901.

## CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT to enable the Governor of the State of Maryland to obtain such copies of the population returns of the twelfth census of the United States as he may deem necessary, and making provision for the payment of the expense of the same.

WHEREAS, The Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for taking the twelfth and subsequent censuses," provided in the thirtieth section thereof, that, upon the request of the Governor of any State, or terri-